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Questions to Axial-Westlake Final.pdf

Mr. Courtnage,

Please see the attached document with answers to your questions. I apologize for the delay in providing this information.

Please let me know if there is anything further that I can help you with.

Regards,

Blaine

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Blaine-

Thank you. We appreciate your time with this.

-Robert

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Mr. Courtnage,

I have received your request and I am beginning the process of answering the questions. I will be back in touch as soon as I can.

Regards,

Blaine

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Mr. Ayres- Thank you again for providing information in June following our earlier teleconference. I have attached follow-up questions that we've put together. Due to the expedited schedule for completing an initial draft of the upcoming problem formulation document, and then putting it through the agency review process, we would like to receive answers back in two weeks or the week following Labor Day. I know that is an aggressive schedule but getting this information soon would better inform the problem formulation document and prevent any data gaps going forward as EPA performs the risk evaluation on asbestos.

Best,

-Robert

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**Subject:** RE: EPA TSCA Import/Uses of Asbestos

Mr. Courtnage,

I apologize for the delay getting this information to you. Please see the attached information.

On the call in April were Hillary Garner and myself, along with Jim Demand (Unit Manager) and Ethan Williams (Process Engineer) from our Chlor-Alkali Unit.

Thank you,

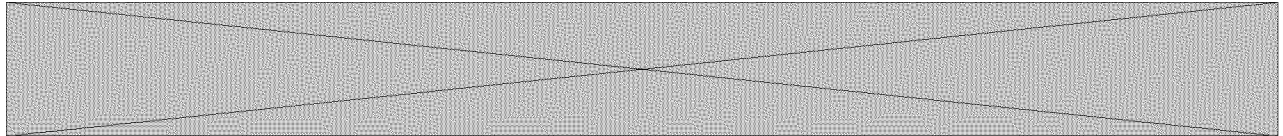
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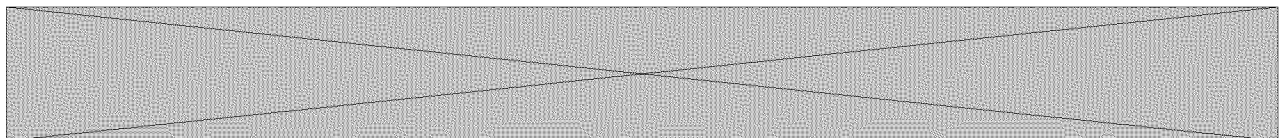
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